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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
I. Lawrence GREENFIELD )  
Serial No.: 09/724,613 ) Group Art Unit: 1637  
Filed: November 28, 2000 ) Examiner: J. Riley  
For: COMPOSITIONS, METHODS AND )  
KITS FOR ISOLATING NUCLEIC )  
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AMENDMENT

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Applicant now responds to the Office Action dated October 21, 2002. The period for reply has been extended for two (2) months by the Petition for Two Month Extension of Time and extension fee payment filed concurrently herewith. Please amend the application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please add new claims 88-113 as follows:

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